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Vicki Brooker photo

'Tis the Season...

Elk Point seniors and their guests got a preview of the Christmas season on Sunday, when the Pioneer Circle held their annual Seniors Christmas Dinner at the Seniors' Recreation Centre, complete with turkey and all the trimmings, a carol sing and gorgeous poinsettias, which went home with draw winners (left to right) Agnes Moroziuk, Nick Czar, Phyllis Zarowny and Faye Smith. See story on Page 12.

Chamber takes the next step

By Vicki Brooker
Review Staff

After receiving a status report on grant funding for their proposed eco-centre, Elk Point Chamber of Commerce took the next step toward making it a reality, with the formation of a building committee whose first job is to determine the method of construction.

Thomas Kondla said the application for the $200,000 grant is now in the government's hands, and he has complied with a request from the lotteries department to ask for another extension for use of the first $54,000 grant to July 2008.

"If we get the grant, do we have enough people to do the project?" he asked the chamber. "We need a group to work on funding and a group for the actual construction. We need a plan in place to determine where the matching dollars will come from."

The next step to be taken was determined when members realized that construction drawings cannot be done until a decision is made on the building materials to be used. Kondla agreed to head a committee including Adolph Porcina, Bob Bezpalko, Myron Goyan and Dwayne Yaremkevich, which was given the mandate of making the necessary decisions.

Chamber president Sandy Smith reported that plans for Extravaganza are nearly complete, with treasurer Lesia Porcina adding that over $14,000 in donations and pledges have been made toward the event.

The chamber heard a presentation from Sherry Gagne and Amber Platz of the Multiple Sclerosis advisory committee for St. Paul and the lakeland area, seeking sponsor partnerships for next spring's Super Cities Walk for MS.

"The numbers (of people in the area afflicted with the disease) are staggering," Gagne said. "We all know someone with MS. We are trying to create a support network to help these people in this area."

Gagne said half of the proceeds from the May 10, 2008 event will stay in this area to assist victims, while the balance will go toward research.

"We need volunteers as much as we need money," she added. Some of the volunteers with the advisory committee are themselves MS victims, such as Elk Point resident Carolyn Seniuk, who Gagne praised as "an ambassador in this community."

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County reps meet with Groeneveld on crisis in cattle sector

By Clare Gauvreau
Journal Staff

County of St. Paul Reeve Robert Bouchard and Coun. Frank Sloan met with Alberta's Agriculture and Food Minister George Groeneveld last week to bring forward concerns from cattle producers in the area over the hit they are taking from plummeting cattle prices. Rather than carry the additional financial burden of feeding cows over the winter with no end to the downward spiral in sight, some producers are opting to take their cow/calf herds to market, with many going to slaughter.

"We suggested a set-aside payment of $200 per cow for 70 to 80 per cent of the herd to slow down the dispersal of the herds," Bouchard said. However, he said the minister had concerns over what would be acceptable under international trade agreements.

"We suggested it could be a winter feeding assistance program."

The meeting took place during the fall convention of the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties. Bouchard said they also had the opportunity to discuss the crisis in the cattle industry with the premier during the convention.

"They were very receptive. They are discussing the issue and are looking at it. The minister is a cattle producer himself and he knows what it is all about. The premier, too, was a cattle producer for many years. I think we had a worthwhile week."

MLA Ray Danyluk, Municipal Affairs and Housing minister, attended the meeting with Groeneveld and commended Bouchard and Sloan for their presentation.

"Robert and Frank did a tremendous job in what they presented. They talked about practical solutions. They also had the opportunity to meet with the premier and he very much recognizes the issues," Danyluk said.

"If only it was as simple as giving direct funding per head but it's not acceptable under NAFTA. It really gives us restrictions."

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Chamber takes the next step

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The chamber also heard a presentation from Kondla on a visit he paid to Craik, SK, a village of 400 people located on the end of a man-made lake near Davidson on the highway between Saskatoon and Regina. Craik was "a very depressed community" before 12 residents got together and embarked on the Craik Sustainable Living Project to increase the economic viability of the community, Kondla said.

"They obtained a quarter section of land from the county, they started a golf course and they built a 6,000 square foot eco centre using straw bale construction.." The eco centre houses a restaurant and the golf clubhouse, as well as other facilities, and treats rainwater collected from its roof to use in the building. The project has won an award from Tourism Saskatchewan, and their chemical-free golf course has been sanctioned by the Audubon Society. The village has since attracted a hemp farm and a hemp factory, and part of the quarter section has been planted with 26,000 trees by a forest company for later harvest. A private school is to be built in Craik, and land is now being drained to accommodate a 10-lot subdivision which will use all green construction.

"They are 400 people with a lot of drive," Kondla said. That shows what their potential was."

Elk Point & District Agricultural Society

Annual General MEETING

Tuesday, December 4, 2007

7:00 pm

Horizon Room - A.G. Ross Arena

THE TOWN OF ELK POINT
Notices & Information

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION

PERMIT #	LOCATION	CIVIC	DEVELOPER	DEVELOPMENT	DECISION
07-29	Lot 7, Block 40 Plan 842 1977	5142-59 Avenue	Al Lubbers	New Residence	Nov. 9, 2007
07-30	Lot 19, Block 27 Plan 752 1315	5206-52 Avenue	Wanda & Murray Cochrane	New Residence	Nov. 16, 2007

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Dated this 20th day of November A.D., 2007 **Myron J. Goyan, Development Officer**

Pioneer Circle bingo

Nov. 19, 2007

Betsy Lumley $25, Bruce Desjarlais $14, Dan Demchuk $10,Bernice Bykowsky $30, Harry Shankowski $25, Flora Gladue $23, Virginia Smereka $20, Stephanie Anderson $60, Randy Diesel $10, Kay Wozniak $13, Helen Trach $40, Alice Dreilick $40, Jeannie Duffee $41, Lena Stepa $20, Hazel Hannah $32, Sophie Stamp $27, Lois Sharek $18, Elsie Oryschuk $12, Christina Desjarlais $30, Vi Lillemoen $91, Lucille Smith $19, Diane Hawryluk $40.

County reps meet with Groeneveld on crisis in cattle sector

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A $165 million program announced earlier this fall to provide short-term assistance to Alberta's livestock sector will do little to ease the pressure for cattle producers in the northeast, admits Danyluk. The Alberta Farm Recovery Plan (AFRP) was set up to address the economic strain brought on by the rising costs of fuel, feed and fertilizer but the MLA said "the program doesn't address the needs at all," on local cattle farms.

AFRP payments will be based on the 2006 Canadian Agricultural Income Stabilization (CAIS) program information.

"CAIS does not provide us with the margins that are necessary," Danyluk said. "CAIS doesn't work when you have a continual downslide that we have had."

When he announced the AFRP in October, Groeneveld described it as a "temporary bridge to a long-term, more sustainable solution. Our expectation is that industry will develop their own long-term transformation plan for establishing profitability and revitalization in the agriculture sector."

"I wish the answer could be $200 to $300 a cow," said Danyluk. "On the survival end, our biggest market is the United States and they are looking for every which way to close the boarder. R-Calf and other groups (in the northern states) have a lot of political power.

"Something needs to be done. The premier and the minister are talking about it. When you look at the economy of communities, this is a disaster."

Come a-caroling!
It's Extravaganza time!

By Vicki Brooker
Review Staff

Strolling carolers could be an added attraction at Friday's Christmas Extravaganza,. Gabe Bayduza hopes to gather up a group of vocal volunteers to tour the streets and stores while adding to the atmosphere with a medley of old-fashioned Christmas carols. Anyone interested in strolling along ia invited to meet at ATB Financial immediately after the parade.

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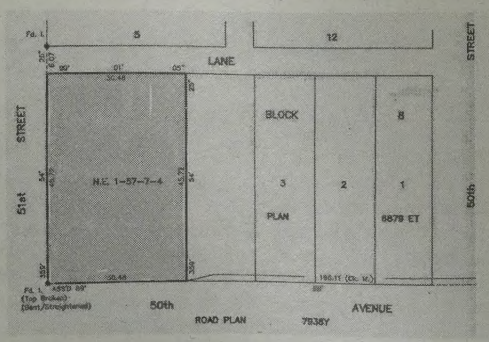
TOWN OF ELK POINT
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Re: Bylaw No. 654/07

TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to the Municipal Government Act, R.S.A. 2000, as amended, the Council of the Town of Elk Point proposes to adopt Bylaw No. 654/07, as amendment to the Land Use Bylaw 622/03 for the Town to change: the designation NE 1-57-7-W4th (Parcel Line 0023734684), indicated on Schedule "A" attached hereto, from Central Commercial (C1) District to High Density Residential (R3) District.



Please **TAKE NOTICE** that on **December 10, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.** at the Council Chambers of the Town of Elk Point in the Town's Administration Office located at 4914-50 Avenue, a Public Hearing will be held to hear from anyone who feels they may be affected by the proposed amendment.

Anyone wishing to be heard either directly or on someone else's behalf may make oral representation at the Public Hearing. Written submissions are acceptable and must be delivered prior to the Public Hearing to the Administration Office address indicated above.

At the Public Hearing, the Mayor shall direct to hear representation first from the applicant, then from those property owners who claim to be directly affected by the proposed disposal, followed by any other person who wishes to make representation.

Myron Goyan, Manager
Town of Elk Point
Box 448, Elk Point, Alberta, T0A 1A0

Dated at Elk Point, AB., this 14th day of November, 2007.

Clear Main Street for Extravaganza

By Vicki Brooker
Review Staff

If the organizers of the Elk Point Chamber of Commerce Christmas Extravaganza could have one wish, it would probably be to have every vehicle voluntarily moved off of Main Street by 4:30 p.m. on Friday.

A clear street would be the perfect setting for all the fun slated for Friday evening, as the community flocks downtown to view the Winter Wonderland parade, with all its lighted floats, and stay around to enjoy all the other activities.

The action actually starts earlier than that, with Santa coming to the ATB Financial in mid-afternoon for the first round of photos. He'll be back right before the camera after the parade, ready to year all the youngsters' Christmas wishes.

The ATB crew will also be handing out the candy bags donated by generous businesses, and will be serving up coffee and hot chocolate.

The Town of Elk Point's helpful public works crew will have the firepits in place on Main Street, ready for the Elk Point Volunteer Fire Department to light up in late afternoon, creating a natural gathering spot where people will meet their friends and neighbours while warming up after a walk in the frosty winter air.

The parade is once again lining up at the Iron Horse Trail staging area, and will hit the streets at 7 p.m., following the same route as the Canada Day parade.

Following the parade, three teams and wagons will line up to provide rides throughout the evening.

Entertainment on the Extravaganza Stage north of Servus Credit Union is also scheduled throughout the evening, with Tiffany Dowhan and Arnie Price's Country Playboys band among those in the lineup. Several other entertainers are still to be confirmed.

Shopping is another big feature of the Extravaganza, with merchants putting their best prices forward to help get that Christmas shopping off to a good start. Starting yesterday, those making a purchase at participating businesses will also receive draw slips so they can enter to win door prizes as well a having their name in for the chamber's grand prize draw at 10 p.m A 45-inch big screen television, a $100 gift certificate, cases of oil and other prizes will go home with the lucky winners.

Following the grand prize draws, eyes will turn to the sky for the fabulous fireworks finale.

The Extravaganza is made possible by numerous generous donors in the business and industrial community, and by the hard work of the committee, co-chaired by Sandy Smith and Deanna Easthope, which has been planning the event over the past few weeks.

For further details on Extravaganza, check out the flyer available at participating businesses.

Older cattle and beef can cross U.S. border

After four-and-a-half years of being shut-out of the U.S., all Canadian cattle born on or after March 1, 1999 and beef products from cattle of any age are now allowed south.

Despite R-CALF's Temporary Restraining Order (TRO) motion that was filed with the U.S. District Court in South Dakota late on Nov. 16, cattle have been able to cross since Monday. If the Court had accepted it, it would have prevented Rule 2 from coming into effect until a hearing on R-CALF's request for a preliminary injunction could be heard.

Alberta Beef Producers is happy to see the border finally open to all cattle and beef, and looks forward to further trade with the rest of the world down the road.

The Canadian beef industry is committed to meeting both domestic and international animal health and food safety requirements. There are many safeguards in place to ensure food and animal safety, and Canada recently implemented an enhanced feed ban to accelerate the eradication of BSE in the Canadian herd.

With the U.S. border opening, it will help improve the industry's competitiveness.

Vicki Brooker photo

CNRL contributes to Healthcare Centre

A very large cheque was presented to the Elk Point Healthcare Centre by Canadian Natural Resources Limited last week, with Carrie Rawlake, Stakeholder Relations Advisor with CNRL,made the presentation to Healthcare Centre manager Paulette Levasseur and director of nursing Pam Ballas. The $20,000 will go toward the purchase of a bathing system which comes with a electrically powered lift that brings to lift patients, who are brought from their rooms in a special chair, in and out of the tub.. Levasseur says the current unit is "a real antique. We got it from another facility." Rawlake said she was said she was "excited at being a part of the project." Ballas said the bathing system will make it much easier for the staff to do their job, and more comfortable for the patients.

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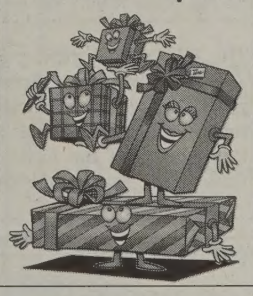

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Editorial

Beginning to look like Christmas

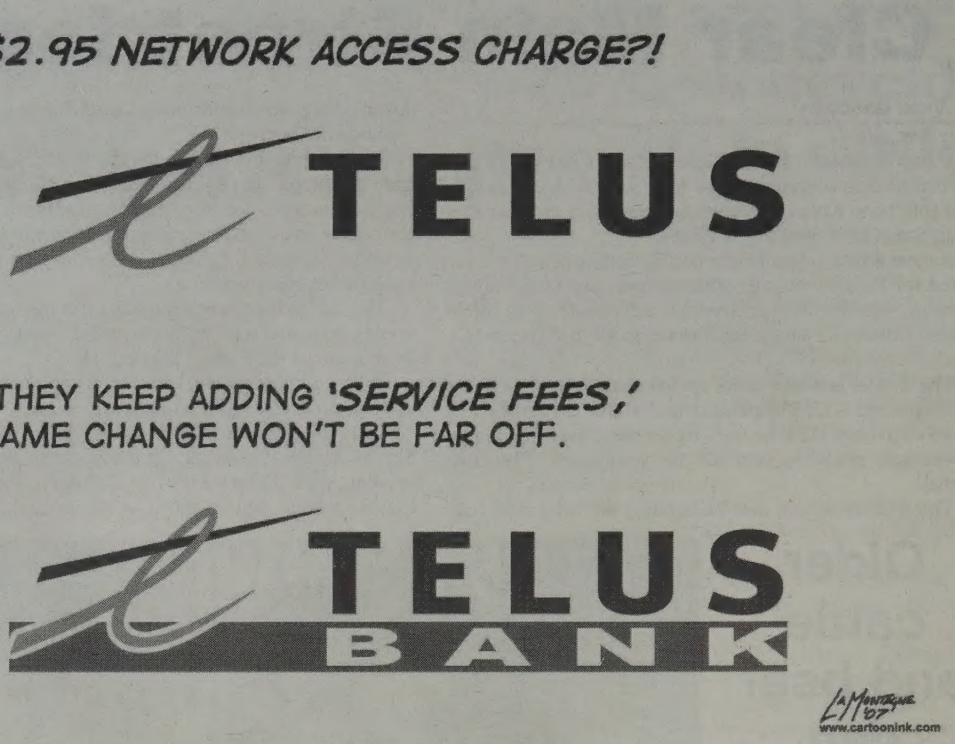
The snow and cold this weekend seems to have put the community in the Christmas spirit. With four whole weeks to go, lots of homes and businesses are already brightly adorned for the season. That's good to see, and an indication that Elk Point will have one of its best-decorated festive seasons ever.

This week, if they haven't already been out there, representatives from the chamber of commerce will be out encouraging the downtown businesses to light up for Extravaganza. With lights on all the businesses and lights twinkling from a long lineup of floats, Friday night's Winter Wonderland parade is sure to turn the downtown into just that.

Extravaganza has been called one of Elk Point's flagship events, and the past 20 years have seen its growth into a major crowd-pleaser that each year serves as the official kick-off to the Christmas season.

If there is a problem with this event, it is that the retailers are so busy ringing up sales that they don't have time to get out and enjoy the festivities, much less to volunteer on the night of the event. Fortunately, the community's volunteers have once again come through to assist.

Happy Extravaganza, everyone!



Way Back When...

Herd, hospital and heavy oil

Here's the news that made the headlines of the Lakeland Review and Elk Point Review for the week of Nov. 27 in...

1987

The Elk Point area became home to the first herd of elk in recorded history, when seven head of the stately animals were unloaded at Marvin Ference's Elk Point Game Ranch. The long-hoped-for purchase of Dome Petroleum by Amoco Canada Ltd. would be "a major step in the recovery of the oil and gas industry," Amoco's vice-president of production Sherman Moore told the Elk Point Chamber of Commerce.

1992

"The moment we've been waiting for, for a long, long time," arrived for Elk Point Municipal Hospital Board chairman John Mohyluk and hospital administrator Clem Johnson, in the form of a letter giving the board approval to put their long term care addition and renovations to tender. Hospital board vice chair Marvin Bjornstad presented the Northern Alberta Development Council with a brief outlining the board's concerns with medical staff recruitment, the proposed ambulance act and the proposed regionalization of health care.

1997

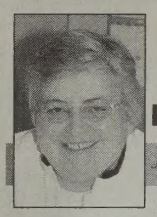
E-Can Oilfield Services was named Elk Point's Business of the Year, chosen by secret ballot at the chamber of commerce meeting from among three nominees. ThickSilver's heavy oil pipeline from Cold Lake to Hardisty, which would pass through this area, was at the application stage.

2002

Charges were laid against a Fishing Lake man after a fatal rollover near Whitney Lake killed a Saskatchewan tanker truck driver and sent a ribbon of crude oil from the overturned truck down the ditch toward the lake. Elk Point Agricultural Society announced plans to host a trade show in April 2003.

Guest Column

Moments in time



deanna EASTHOPE
from the FCSS desk

With November almost over and the month of December only a few more days away, it is the time of year all the commercial businesses are trying to convince us to buy one of their products so we will be able to "give joy to someone." So, yes, as we look for that "special gift" to give someone, the question we need to ask ourselves is, "Will this gift only be appreciated for a moment in time in someone's life or will it be more valuable to them?"

Yes, I know to support the businesses and buy something from them determines their survival. But when you think about it, the person during the buying also has to survive. The simple conclusion to all this is for the businesses to be marketing smart and for the buyer to be buying smart. If that happens, everyone survives.

Remember, the Christmas season, with all the buying of gifts, is really only a moment in time. The word to the wise is, 'be careful," make sure all your purchases are within your budget, and make sure the gift you purchase has the meaning you want it to have when it is given to someone.

All this talk about 'one moment in time' and having it refer to spending or not spending money may not be what is on our minds this time of year. It may be just our shift in mood. Now what would cause that? Actually, 'tis the season for seasonal affective disorder for some people. Whether we realize it or not, weather often impacts our moods. Sunlight can lift our spirits, while a cold, snowy day may make us feel a little gloomy. These shifts in mood generally do not affect our ability to cope with daily life, but for some it may be a sign of a type of depression that follows a seasonal pattern. For these people the shortened days of late autumn are the beginning of a type of clinical depression that can last until spring. This condition is seasonal affective disorder (SAD). SAD, otherwise known as winter depression or winter blues, usually begins in October or November and tends to disappear in the spring around March or April. Common SAD symptoms may include weight gain, usually accompanied by a craving for sweet or starchy foods, decreased energy, fatigue, tendency to oversleep, difficulty concentrating for extended periods, increased irritability, lack of desire to spend time in social situations, and generalized feeling of anxiety.

When you look at it, just maybe some of us have a little bit of SAD about us and that may cause us to go overboard with our shopping at Christmas time because we are looking for a way to make us more happy each day. There seems to be something about shopping that gives us a lift. Could this be the bottom line, or reason we could get ourselves in trouble with Christmas spending? Who knows? It is a thought and a possibility. Anyway, remember that spending at Christmas time is really only a moment in time. In the end, do your best and be happy with your decisions.

One moment is time is also stress management at this time of year. It takes a moment to do something about it. Identify what is causing your stress because once you know what the problem is, you can do something about it. Start to think about what you can do to relieve the problem. Talk about it. Take time to read, meditate, be physically active or learn relaxation exercises, and above all, be more positive; try not to be too hard on yourself. All of this is really only one moment in time. After all, you are who you are and you are a valuable person to your loved ones.

As we begin the Christmas season, relax, everyone, and be happy.

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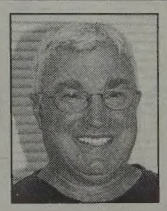
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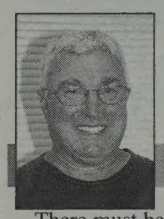
Grey Cup follows non-stop hockey action



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BASSETT
Review Sports

There must be something to this Rider's Pride thing, cause I know more than a few people who we're feeling a little green on Monday morning after their big Grey Cup win. Congratulations! Now, if only the Ticats could turn things around a little bit someone else might have cause to celebrate.

Micro-Novice Tornadoes

Check out all the proud grandparents in the stands. Not too hard to tell who was playing this weekend, it was the first home game of the season for the Micro-Novice Tornadoes. Dustin Pankiw and Ross Hawryluk with hat tricks, Julie Mountain parked right on the doorstep, also pounding one home, Liam Ludlage doing a super job of shadowing the top player on the Vermilion team.

Novice Hurricanes

Back and forth, back and forth, the play went that way all game, and in the end it was a 10-all tie for the Novice Hurricanes when Vermilion Tigers came a calling Saturday morning. A hat trick for Brody Odgaard, the rushing D-man Brodie Grykuliak also getting a hat trick, Ryan McGee banging two home, big defense woman Hayley Vinge sliding one under the pads and into the cage and Austin "Ozzy" Stafford with a goal and an assist. Three assists for the set up man Nathaniel Roberts, two helpers for Noah Barber and Chad Poitras, and a real sweet pass by Taylor Pankiw for another one of the assists. Some good hustle for Isaiah Barber and goalie Colton Cardinal making some really big saves to keep this one close.

Two games for Atoms

Brandon Garret finding the twine twice, Colin " Naz Jr." Nazarchuk with one as well when the Atom Avalanche hosted Lac la Biche Saturday. Defenseman Dean Quinney helping out on both goals with two nice breakout passes.

Just before the start of the Grey Cup on Sunday, the Atom Avalanche were on the ice again and had a real close battle going against Kikino, with a one-all tie after one, Colin "Naz Jr." Nazarchuk going top shelf on a breakaway, two-one after 40 minutes, the Avalanche started to slide, but would score one more in the third, by Brandon Garrett, but it just wasn't enough on this day. An excellent effort in this game by Brodin Ference, doing some awesome forechecking in the opposition end, and blocking some wicked point shots. No kidding, some of these slap shots were harder than some bantam players I have seen. Chansie Botting blocked two hard shots as well, without even wincing. Defenseman Dylan Odgaard did some great back checking, two really good chances for Madison Ference who knows how to get open around the net. Vikram Sidku and Brandon Bourne were showing lots of improvement this week in their skating skills. And stopping some real hot howitzers, goalie Matthew Mahoney, who saw over 50 shots again in both games this past weekend.

Bantam Girls

Sometimes the score just doesn't do the game justice. They may not score many goals, but the Bantam Girls are playing better and better every week, and have a lot of pride. Kaitlyn Roberts just missed on two breakaways, defense woman Alyssa Harms did a great job of clearing the front of the net, and the big center Kelsey Vinge, what can I say, she's a competitor who won't be pushed around.

Peewee Avalanche

The Peewee Avalanche spent a fair bit of time in the sin bin on the weekend when the Wainwright Bisons came to town, Brett "the Moose" Ockerman, Andrew "Bruise Brother" Jenner, Waylon May and Vital Quinney all in the slammer for two minutes or more. But maybe this was a good thing, Logan "Paycheck" Becker scoring shorthanded for the Avalanche in the first period. How's a guy get a name like "Paycheck" anyway? Well, the way I see it, "Paycheck" is one of the best two-way players on this team, so it's fore-check, back -check and then in the net for the "Paycheck." Jarred McGilvery and Trever "the Kid" Ballas also scoring in this one, Dan "the Man" Garrett, Rylan Buffalo and Michael Abraham getting in on the assists. Brayden "Mr. Scrooge" Vinge is already getting ready for Christmas as he fended off a barrage of shots from the Bisons.

And now for the K.A. Campbell quote of the week. " Hockey is like a disease, you can't really shake it." Last week's answer to - " Hockey's a funny game, you have to prove yourself every shift, every game. It's not up to anybody else. You have to take pride in yourself." – Paul Coffey

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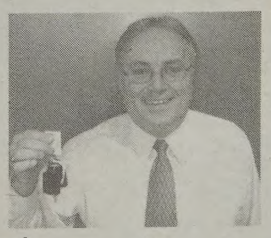

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Junior choir tells story of Joseph's journey

By Vicki Brooker
Review Staff

Those attending the Elk Point United Church Junior Choir's presentation on Sunday learned that there is much more to Joseph than his fabled coat of many colours.

Diana Anderson and Seanna-Joye Leaf read the gospel story of Joseph's journey from the depths of despair, as outlined in Genesis, chapters 37 to 45.

Joseph was the son of Jacob, born in that gentleman's old age, and much beloved by him, Jacob had even had an elaborate coat made for his son, which did not endear the boy to his older brothers. In fact they hated him, and when Jacob sent the 17-year-old out to check on the flocks of sheep his older siblings were herding, they plotted to kill him.

One brother persuaded the others not to kill him, but to instead strip off his glorious coat and throw him in a pit. When traders came by, they sold Joseph as a slave for 20 pieces of silver.

They smeared goat's blood on the glorious coat and took it to their father, telling him Joseph had been dragged away by wild animals. Jacob put on sackcloth and mourned the loss of his son.

The traders sold Joseph to Potiphar, who recognized his organizational skills and soon put him in charge of running his household. This might have worked well, if Potiphar's wife had not repeatedly tried to seduce him, and claimed he had tried to seduce her, when he refused to succumb to her charms. Potiphar believed his wife and had Joseph imprisoned.

At the jail, the captain of the guard also recognized Joseph's skills, and assigned him to look after the pharaoh's cup bearer, who was also in the jail.

Before he left home, Joseph had had a vision of his brothers bowing down before him. In jail, both he and the cup bearer had dreams, which Joseph interpreted. *(Continued on Page 7)*

Vicki Brooker photo

Sing out!

Elk Point United Church Junior choir, which now for the first time includes several boys, starts off the service with their performance of "Rise, Shine, Give God Glory." under the direction of Holly Myshaniuk (foreground, right). At left, Diana Anderson and Seanna Joye Leaf read from Genesis, Chapters 37-45, which tells the story of Joseph's journey from the pit to the palace.

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Joseph faces challenges

Joseph faced a number of challenges, including being thrown in a pit by his brothers (left) and betrayed by the pharaoh's wife, whose advances he had scorned (right).

Below, the youth choir and leaders Diana Anderson and Holly Myshaniuk wound up the morning with a lively version of "We are the Body of Christ."

Vicki Brooker photos

Joseph's journey

(Continued from Page 6)

The pharaoh forgave the cup bearer and took him out of jail in time for the pharaoh's birthday feast. The pharaoh had dreams and wondered what they meant, and the cup bearer rememberd Joseph's talent. The pharaoh sent for Joseph, and when Joseph had interpreted the dreams as meaning that there would be seven good years followed by seven lean years, the pharaoh put him in charge of his palace and the whole land of Egypt.

Joseph stored up crops during the seven good years,a and when drought and hunger came with the lean years, he had plenty to sell.

Jacob sent his sons to buy grain, and when they came to Joseph, he pretended not to recognize them. As in his vision, they bowed before him. He accused them of being spies and told them to leave one brother with him while they went to fetch their youngest brother, also a son of Jacob's old age. When they returned with their youngest brother, Joseph held a feast and told them who he was.

"By your selling me, it was God's way to save lives. He sent me ahead of you to prepare you a place to live."

He sent them back to fetch their father, who returned to this land of plenty as the famine lasted another five years.

The choir brought the story to life in skit form, with a modern adaptation making it most entertaining.

"This story teaches us all about forgiveness," Anderson said." It shows really clearly that when things are difficult, it is sometimes because God has a plan for us. We need to have faith."

The Choir ended the morning with their proclamation, "We are the Body of Christ."

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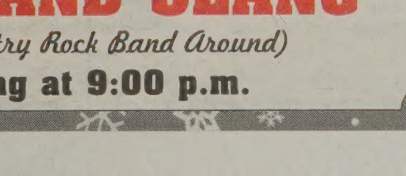

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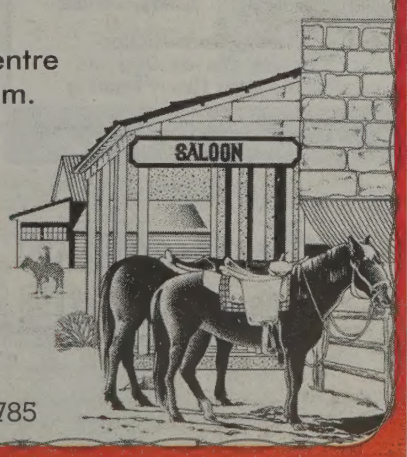

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Christmas move for Glen Avon students nixed

By Janani Whitfield
Journal Staff

It's not beginning to look a lot like Christmas for the proposed moving of students into the new Glen Avon school.

Students were supposed to be able to move into their new school by the new year, but that looks out of the question, the secretary-treasurer for St. Paul Education Regional Division told school board trustees at the board meeting on Nov. 14.

"We don't think we're going to meet this Christmas move anymore," Jean Champagne told trustees. Even if the school construction is finished by Christmas, there wouldn't necessarily be time to move school items in, he said.

While the road leading to the school is open and can be driven on, the school parking lot has yet to be paved, there is currently no zone for parents to drop off their children, there is no playground or grass, he said.

Trustee Maureen Miller suggested that the school board should hold an information meeting for all the stakeholders at the school, laying a plan out for the opening of the school.

A committee meeting was set for Dec. 4 to review moving options.

Expanded theatre questioned

A fine arts theatre would be a benefit to arts and culture in St. Paul, trustees agreed, but they hedged at the question of building the theatre at St. Paul Regional High School.

A community group is interested in building a theatre, and has expressed an interest in using and expanding the theatre at Regional.

Champagne told the school board that an architect looking at the school's current theatre, which seats 145, questioned the wisdom of expanding the theatre to a 600 or 700 seat theatre. Building on to the existing theatre would result in a long, narrow theatre, which may not be an ideal configuration, said Champagne.

"There's no financial advantage to knocking down walls and building on to the existing theatre," he added.

The school may have to look after the operation and maintenance of the theatre, while not necessarily getting maximum use out of it.

Superintendent Doug Yeo added, "We don't know if it's going to help the kids. We may not even want it." He suggested that trustees wait to see what the community group comes up with before moving ahead with the project.

Flags on hand for school functions

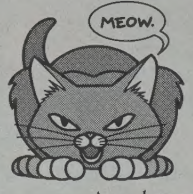
Trustee Ron Rudkowsky brought up an issue with flags on display within schools. "Some of our gymnasiums do not have a Canadian flag or an Alberta flag." Rudkowsky said that two flags should be displayed, if not at all times, during school functions at least.

"I do know that the parent council can appeal to the minister for flags," said Miller.

The board decided to see what could be done about obtaining flags for all school public functions.

Monitoring upcoming weather

Trustee Don Padlesky mentioned that school board could monitor upcoming weather with the help of a weather line, 645-2015. The phone line would give updates on weather conditions in various locations and schools, he said, adding that everyone from school bus drivers to parents could use the service to check the weather or possible school closures.



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Aspen launches mumps campaign

Aspen Regional Health is joining a province-wide mumps vaccination program that will target staff and students at post-secondary schools born in 1970 or later, and all residents 17 to 26 years old. The immunization campaign, which will start in December, is being spearheaded by Alberta Health and Wellness in response to a cluster of mumps cases reported at post-secondary schools in Lethbridge and Calgary.

"Most Albertans in this group received a first dose of the vaccine in early childhood, but recent studies show that a second dose provides improved, longer lasting effectiveness," says Dr. David Johnson, Medical Officer of Health for Aspen. "Immunizations is an important factor in maintaining healthy communities. Not only does vaccine protect the health of the individual immunized, it also protects others in the community from the spread of the virus."

As part of the immunization campaign:

Aspen will immunize students and staff born on or after Jan. 1, 1970 at colleges and satellite college campuses within the region, starting the first week of December.

Clinics will be held in high schools across the region in December to target students and staff 17 to 26 years old.

University and college students returning home for the Christmas holidays should check the Aspen website for mumps campaign clinics or call their local Community Health Services office.

The mumps immunization is free of charge, however a healthcare card is required.

Clinics for immunizing the general population of residents17 to 26 years of age will run from January to March.

Dates for college, high school and general clinics will be posted on the Aspen website at www.aspenrha.ab.ca Dates for January clinics targeting students 17 to 26 years old will also be published in local newspapers.

Mumps is a viral illness that may start with respiratory symptoms and then result in a fever, headache, muscle aches, respiratory symptoms, swelling and tenderness in one or both parotid glands, located in front of the ears and below the cheekbones. Some people experience mild illness and unknowingly spread the illness. Complications of the mumps can include infection of the brain, meningitis, arthritis, deafness and inflammation of the testes or ovaries.

Mumps infection spreads through direct contact with respiratory droplets from the nose or throat – coughed or sneezed, and through the exchange of saliva when sharing drinks or kissing, for example. Because mumps are highly contagious, individuals with even mild symptoms of infection should stay away from school, work or other people for at least nine days after the onset of symptoms.

Getting immunized is simple. Check the Aspen website for clinic dates and locations. For health advice and information 24 hours a day, seven days a week from a registered nurse, call the Alberta Helath Link toll-free at 1-866-408-5465.

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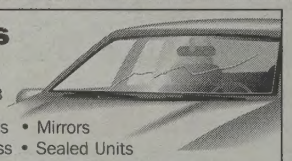
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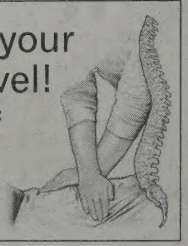
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Teachers, school board embrace new funding

By Janani Whitfield
Staff Writer

The province's offer to put $2.1 billion into teachers' unfunded pension liability is music to the ears of teachers and school boards currently locked in contract negotiations.

"I think it's going to set the framework for putting an agreement together with teachers," said St. Paul Education Regional Division trustee Steve Upham, who is conducting negotiations on behalf of the school board.

Teachers across the province were originally asking for between 10 to 12 per cent in salary increases, while school boards were struggling to find a way to find common ground with only a three per cent grant increase from the provincial government.

In that environment, the two parties would have been hard-pressed to find a satisfactory agreement, said Upham. He said he was waiting for the province to come up with some sort of announcement to help ease the pressures and take strike action of the table.

The government would make the $2.1 billion contribution in exchange for five years of classroom teaching, with no strikes or lockouts.

"It'll allow teachers to focus on the classrooms instead of worrying about negotiations," said Robert Thorne, local president for the Alberta Teachers Association.

"We've waited a long time for this," he said. "It's a very astute move by the premier. It will go a long way."

Thorne was pleased to see that teachers would no longer have to pay the province's debt in funding teacher pensions, but he said other teaching issues, such as benefits, administrative allowance and substitute teacher pay, also have to be addressed in negotiations.

As part of the new deal, teachers will no longer have to pay 3.1 per cent for their own pensions, while they will also get a 3 per cent salary increase in the first year of the new agreement. Further salary increases will be tied to a cost-of-living index for Alberta, a scale that is reflective of other public employees' and MLAs' pay raises.

"It provides security both for the school board and teachers," Upham said, explaining that teachers can be secure in knowing that salary increases will be tied to the cost of living, while school boards know the costs for those increases will be covered by the province.

"I believe it's a win-win situation."

In order for the deal to go ahead, all 62 school boards and ATA locals must ratify collective agreements by Jan. 31.

Now the school board and teachers are making tentative plans to meet, knowing that with the Jan. 31 deadline looming, negotiations will have to move quickly.

The next tentative date for negotiations is set for Dec. 14, but Thorne said teachers would hope to meet with the board before that time.

"I don't expect to reach an agreement before Christmas, but I believe in miracles too," said Upham.

Vicki Brooker photo

Celebrating 65th Anniversary

Olga and Paul Musijowski were surrounded by their loved ones on Saturday, as they celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary with a dinner at the Empress followed by cake at Buckingham House. The couple were married on a farm in the Angle Lake district on November 22, 1942, and have three children, Leonard and Natalka of Edmonton, and Allan of Elk Point, as well as nine grand children and seven great-grandchildren. The couple farmed in the Angle Lake area for 30 years before moving to Elk Point.

Culprits sought in auto B & E

Sometime during the night of Thursday, Oct. 15, between 6 p.m. and 7 a.m., a motor vehicle was broken into in front of Bumper to Bumper in Elk Point. The suspect gained entry by smashing the driver's side window, and once inside, destroyed the vehicle's dash to gain access to the stereo, The stereo, along with the speakers, where then removed and the suspect(s) fled the scene. The vehicle was damaged excessively from the incident.

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By Daphne Schnurer
Librarian

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Company's Coming Christmas Celebrations and **Canadian Living Christmas** are two more books that will make your mouth water.

You'll also want to check out the December magazines for more decorating, gift-giving and festive food ideas for the holidays.

Help us deck the halls!

The library is looking for Christmas decorations, if you find you have some to spare.

Missing!

If anyone inadvertently forgot to check out The Secret, please let the library know. It's a brand new book and we would greatly appreciate its safe return.

Also a quick reminder: as things get busier, please return your library materials on time.

Treats time!

The December Seniors Tea is coming up on Tuesday, Dec.11. Hope you can join us for the final tea of 2007.

OBITUARY

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November 19, 2007

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That the hills were hard to climb,
So He closed her weary eyelids
And whispered Peace be thine.
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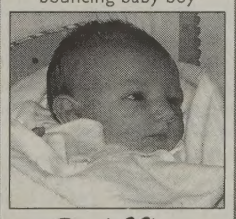

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For service times, call 645-5156, St. Paul or 724-4175, Elk Point.

United Church of Canada
4822 - 50 Ave., Elk Point
724- 3616
Services - Sunday 10 a.m.
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
"Come and be Welcomed - Come and Be Nurtured"

Christian Community Church of Elk Point
53 St. and Railway Avenue
Phone 724-4039 or 724-2648
Our Aim:
"To Know, Apply and Share the Power oi Christ"
Worship Service - Sunday 10 a.m.
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Pastor Bill Kryzanowski
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Father Ambrose
Sunday Mass.
11:30 a.m.
Mass 1st Tuesday of the month at Parkview Extended Care, 4 p.m.
Mass and Holy Hour
1st Friday of the month at 7 p.m.

Bethel Lutheran Church of Lea Park
Weekly Services, 10:30 a.m.
Holy Communion 2nd and 3rd Sundays

Bible Fellowship Church Clandonald
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130. Coming Events

FESTIVAL OF CRAFTS - Alberta's Largest Christmas Art & Craft Sale, Nov. 29 - Dec. 2, Roundup Centre, Calgary. Admission $5. (includes weekend pass). For details see www.ourbesttoyou.ca.

POKER PLAYERS LOOKING to start a Lakeland poker league. Wpt or wsop event possible. If interested phone Cam at 780-724-4933.

CLASSIFIED DEADI

UNRESERVED Hardwood/Laminate Flooring Auction, Saturday, Dec. 1/07, 1 p.m., 4608 - 38 Ave., Cold Lake, Alberta. Exhibition Park. Lindstrand Auctions, Camrose, Alberta. 1-800-251-1441; www.lindstrandauctions.com.

200. Business/Invest. Oppor.

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410. Education/Training

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410. Education/Training

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1005. Help Wanted

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ST. PAUL A&W is now hiring all positions, including opening shift, full-time supervisors & managers. Apply in person with resume to Toby or Walter, 4241-50 ave. St.Paul. Ph: 780-645-3136.

1500. Help Wanted - Prov.

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1005. Help Wanted

1500. Help Wanted - Prov.

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1005. Help Wanted

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JOHN DEERE AG Dealer currently hiring Service Technicians and Parts Specialists. Experience preferred, but if you have a background in agriculture, we will also consider apprentices. Deerline Sales Ltd. is a 3-store dealership (High Prairie, Barrhead and Westlock) which offers a stable, supportive workplace and an honest, sincere environment, with top pay and benefits. We have great customers and the best coworkers you'll find anywhere! Work in your home community, work regular hours, and experience the challenge of an exciting career with us! Visit our website at www.deerline.com. Contact Liz Roberts at 780-349-3391. Fax resume to 780-349-6662 or email: lroberts@deerline.com.

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1005. Help Wanted

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3010. Auctions

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1005. Help Wanted

3010. Auctions

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3210. Misc. For Sale

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Housekeeping Worker

Casual

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Grade 10 education required.
Housekeeping experience desired.

Forward resume for the position by December 2, 2007.

Paulette Levasseur, Facility Supervisor
Elk Point Healthcare Centre
Bag #3, Elk Point, AB., T0A 1A0
Fax: 780-724-3085

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St. Paul Education Regional Division No. 1

INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANTS

REQUIRED FOR

Heinsburg Community School

Instructional Assistants required for the remainder of the 2007-2008 academic year commencing as soon as possible. The successful candidates will be working with students requiring emotional and behavior support. Instructional assistant training or experience would be considered an asset. The successful individuals will be highly energetic, enthusiastic and student-centered. Heinsburg Community School is a K-12 school of approximately 180 students.

For more information, contact:
Miss Jill Jackson, Principal at 780-943-3913.

Please fax your resume by
November 30, 2007 to (780) 943-3773.

In accordance with Board Policy, the successful applicant will be required to provide a current Criminal Record Check.

We thank you for your interest; however, only applicants selected for interview will be contacted.

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3400. Pets & Supplies

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4040. Livestock

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4040. Livestock

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5145. Wanted to Rent

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5800. Manuf. Homes - Sale

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Seniors sing in the Christmas season

By Vicki Brooker
Review Staff

Freshly fallen snow, fragrant steam wafting off a plate of turkey and all the trimmings, and carols in the air: Sunday's Elk Point Seniors Christmas Dinner had everything it takes to kick off the season in fine style.

Pioneer Circle president Deanna Easthope had warm words of welcome for the crowd of just under 100,, noting that the annual event is one of her favourite parts of the Christmas season.

That sentiment was echoed by Mayor Parrish Tung and MLA Ray Danyluk.

"This is my personal highlight of the Christmas season," said Mayor Tung, who said he had just come from a meeting with the County Council. "We are one community, and I am glad to see that the seniors treat it as one."

"It feels so good to be home around familiar faces," Danyluk said, "it's good to see people who tell you what their issues are."

Last year at the dinner, Danyluk said, "I talked about volunteerism and the focus of the government on volunteerism. I was fortunate to get volunteerism as part of my department.."

The $11.3 billion allocated for municipalities over three years comes with the condition that the municipalities are able to decide what the money will be spent on, Danyluk said.

"Never before have we had groups able to access operating funds. Money has been set aside for not-for-profit groups to help with their operating expenses. It's been a terrific year in that direction."

Danyluk's vision for 2008 is of" a very progressive year."

Easthope led rounds of applause for Pioneer Circle past president Margaret Modin, recently retired public works superintendent Ron Fraess and the ladies who decorated the seniors centre for the event.

Before offering grace, Pastor Jim MacLellan related a story told to him by the late Sid Holthe, about a Kansas housewife who was surprisingly happy after a tornado swept away their home. "It;'s the first time my husband's taken me out of the house in years.", Pastor MacLellan said, the annual dinner is "a great opportunity to gather.."

Following the meal, Easthope read a poem about the meaning of Christmas cards before she took her place at the piano and Debbie Lawrence the podium to lead the group in a sing-along of favourite Christmas carols.

The afternoon wound up with draws for the poinsettias that had decorated the stage, with Faye Smith, Agnes Moroziuk, Phyllis Zarowny and Nick Czar each taking home a colourful bloom.

Songs of the season were led by Debbie Lawrence and accompanied by Deanna Easthope on piano at the Senriors Christmas Dinner on Siunday.

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